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RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL  
OF KIRKBYMOORSIDE

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year

1952

W.R.M. COUPER, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

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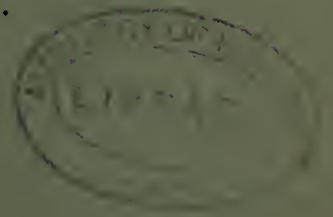
Including the Report

of the

SENIOR SANITARY INSPECTOR

F.W. STONEY, M.R.San.I., M.S.I.A.

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RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF

KIRKBYMOORSIDE

To the Chairman and Members of the  
Kirkbymoorside Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present  
the Annual Report on the health of the Kirkbymoorside  
Rural District for the year 1952.

W.R.M. Couper.

Public Health Officers of the Authority.

Medical Officer of Health, W.R.M. Couper M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Senior Sanitary Inspector, F.W. Stoney M.R.San.I., M.S.I.A.

Additional Sanitary Inspector, C. Gaden Cert.S.I.B.

KIRKBYMOORSIDE RURAL DISTRICT

Section A

STATISTICS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area in acres.....	51,000
Estimated population .....	4,873
Number of inhabited houses .....	1,403
Rateable Value .....	£17,467
Product of Penny Rate.....	£70

VITAL STATISTICS

<u>Births</u>	Male	Female	Total
Live Births	36	34	70
Legitimate	35	32	67
Illegitimate	1	2	3
Still Births	-	-	-
Legitimate	-	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-
All births live and still	36	34	70

Crude Live Birth Rate (per 1,000 population).....	14.4
Illegitimate Rate (percentage of total births).....	4.3%
Still birth Rate (per 1,000 population) .....	Nil

Maternal Mortality

No deaths attributable to pregnancy, childbirth or abortion occurred during the year.

Maternal Mortality Rate ..... NIL

Infant Mortality

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	1	2	3
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Total	1	2	3

Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 related live births..42.9

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	1	2	3
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Total	1	2	3

Neonatal Mortality Rate (per 1,000 related live births)..42.9

Deaths

Causes of death in the district for the year ended  
31st December, 1952.

Cause of death	Male	Female	Total
Tuberculosis, respiratory.....	-	-	-
Tuberculosis, other .....	-	-	-
Syphilitic disease .....	-	-	-
Diphtheria .....	-	-	-
Whooping Cough .....	-	-	-
Meningococcal infection ....	-	-	-
Acute poliomyelitis .....	-	-	-
Measles .....	-	-	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases .....	-	-	-
Malignant neoplasm, stomach..	1.	1	2
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus.....	-	-	-
Malignant neoplasm, breast..	-	1	1
Malignant neoplasm, uterus..	-	-	-
Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms.....	-	2	2
Leukaemia, aleukaemia.....	-	-	-
Diabetes .....	-	-	-
Vascular lesions of the nervous system .....	2.	7	9
Coronary disease, angina ...	3	8	11
Hypertension with heart disease .....	3	2	5
Other heart disease .....	7	4	11
Other circulatory disease ..	2	4	6

Cause of Death	Male	Female	Total
Influenza.....	-	-	-
Pneumonia.....	-	-	-
Bronchitis.. ..	-	-	-
Other diseases of the respiratory system.....	-	-	-
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	-	-	-
Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea	-	-	-
Nephritis and nephrosis.....	I	-	I
Hyperplasia of prostate.....	I	-	I
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-
Congenital malformation.....	-	-	-
Other defined and ill defined diseases.....	6	6	12
Motor vehicle accidents	I	-	I
All other accidents.....	-	-	-
Suicide .....	-	-	-
Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-
All causes.....	27	35	62

Crude death rate (per 1000 estimated population) .... 12.7

Comparison of Birth and Death Rate.

The crude Birth and Death Rates of any district are not directly comparable with those of England and Wales. To make approximate allowance for the way in which the sex and age distribution differs from that of England and Wales as a whole the crude rates are multiplied by a comparability factor.

Crude Live Birth Rate .. .. .	14.4
Comparability factor for births ..	1.08
Adjusted Birth Rate .. .. .	15.6
Crude Death Rate .. .. .	12.7
Comparability factor for deaths ..	0.85
Adjusted death rate .. .. .	10.8

Comparative Table of Birth and Death Rates during 1952.

	Rates per 1000 estimated population.			Infant
	Live Birth Rate	Stillbirth Rate	Death Rate	Mortality Rate
England and Wales	15.3	0.35	11.3	27.6
Helmsley R.D.	13.5	Nil	12.0	Nil
Kirkbymoorside R.D.	15.6	Nil	10.8	42.9
Malton U.D.	11.2	0.24	10.6	53.6
Malton R.D.	18.8	0.71	12.8	58.1
Pickering U.D.	12.1	Nil	7.3	15.1
Pickering R.D.	14.9	0.39	10.6	15.2



SECTION B

Prevalence and Control over Infectious Diseases.

Notifiable Diseases other than Tuberculosis during the year 1952 :-

<u>Disease.</u>	<u>Cases Notified.</u>
Measles	41
Whooping Cough	3
Scarlet Fever	1
Poliomyelitis (paralytic)	1
Totals	<u>46</u>

Where necessary cases of infectious diseases are admitted to Cross Lane Hospital, Scarborough and Yearsley Bridge Hospital, York.

Tuberculosis.

There were no new cases notified and no death attributed to this disease during 1952.

SECTION C

General Provision of Health Services.

(i) Laboratory Facilities.

Samples for bacteriological examination are sent to the Public Health Laboratory, Northallerton. A van calls once each week to collect specimens.

(ii) Local Services under Part III of the National Health Service Act 1946.

The day to day administration of the following services is carried out by the Ryedale Local Health Sub-Committee in the urban districts of Malton and Pickering and the rural districts of Helmsley Kirkbymoorside, Malton, and Pickering:-

(a) Care of Mothers and Young Children.

Child welfare and ante-natal clinics are held at 12 centres in the Ryedale area.

In places where no clinic is held ante-natal and child welfare services are carried out by health visitors in the home.

(b) Midwifery, Health Visiting and Home Nursing.

Combined duty nurses serving 17 nursing districts are resident in the area.

(c) Ambulance Service.

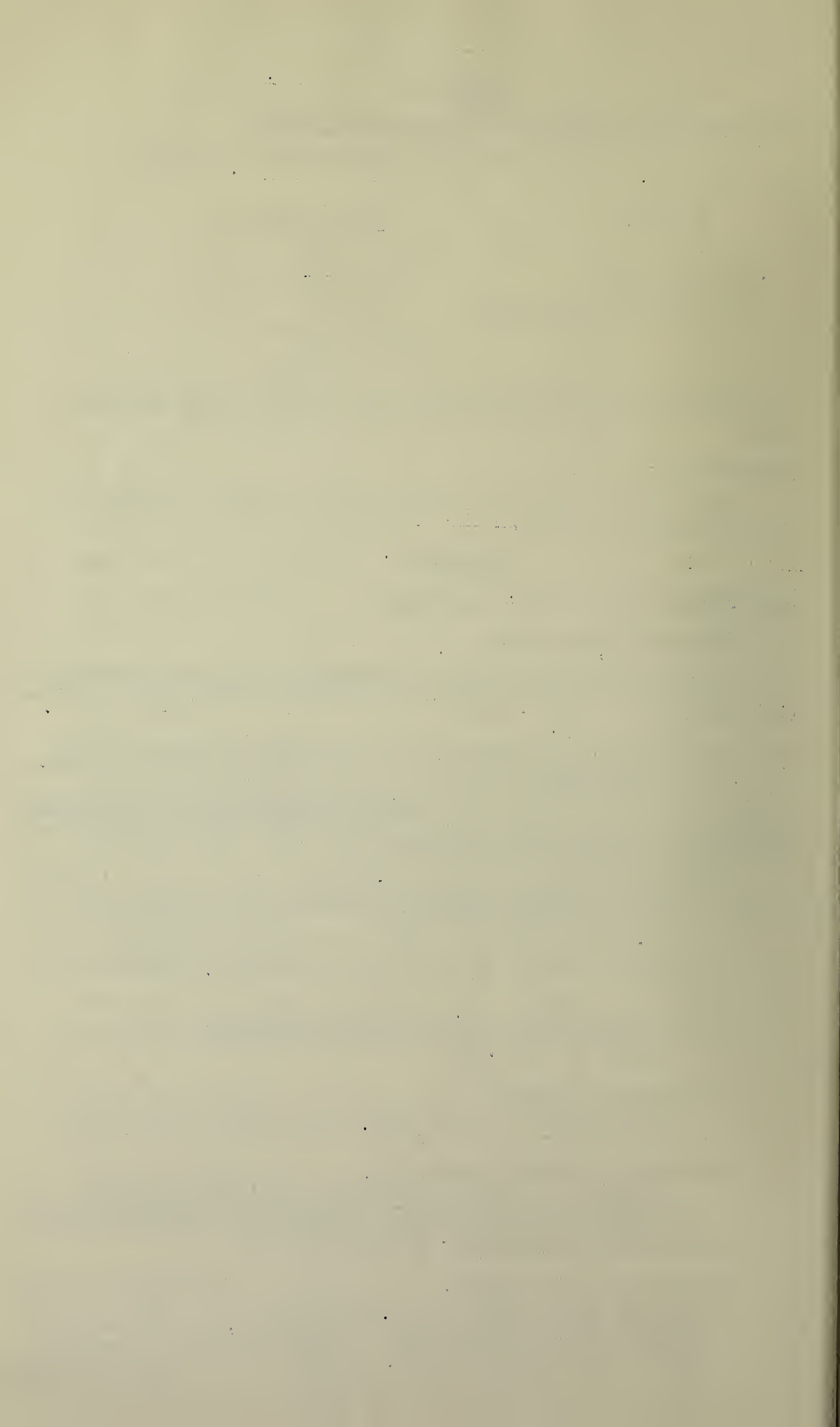
Ambulance stations at Malton and Kirkbymoorside provide this service.

(d) Immunisation and Vaccination.

Provision is made for primary immunisation against diphtheria at child welfare centres but the greater part of this service is carried out by general practitioners in their surgeries and in the home.

(e) Domestic Help Service.

This service provides domestic help at a charge dependent on the income of the household, in homes where there has been a confinement or ill-health of the mother and to the aged and infirm.





SENIOR SANITARY INSPECTOR & SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT

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Senior Sanitary Inspector, Surveyor, and Water Engineer :

F.W.Stoney, M.R.San.I., M.S.I.A.

Assistant Sanitary Inspector, Surveyor and Water Engineer :

C.Gaden. Cert.S.I.B.

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Staff for Refuse Collection, Water Supply and Sewage Works  
etc.

W.H.Stocks (foreman), R.Wilson , and W.Atkinson.

Part-time Water Bailiffs

W.H.Richardson (Apploton-le-Moors)

F.Farrow (Hutton-le-Mole)

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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE SENIOR SANITARY INSPECTOR AND  
SURVEYOR.

For the Year ending 31st. December 1952

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Council Offices,

KIRBYMOORSIDE.

York.

To the Chairman and Members of the Kirkbymoorside Rural  
District Council.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my report on the work of the Sanitary Inspector and Surveyor's Department of your Council for the year ending 31st. December 1952.

Due to the retirement of Mr. Russell, Assistant Sanitary Inspector, during the year, exact numbers of inspections carried out are not available. Regular inspections were carried out however in connection with all aspects of public health in the district, The routine work of the department was carried out satisfactorily.

HOUSING.

The following Table shows the position of the Council's housing sites at the end of 1952 :-

<u>Site.</u>	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Constructing</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Kirkbymoorside (Ryedale View)			22	22
" " " " (Ryedale Cres.)	8		8	16
" " " " (Swedish)			4	4
" " " " (Vivers Place)	Negotiations are being carried out to construct 8 - three-bed-roomed houses, and 8 two-bed-roomed houses on this site.			
" " " " (Vivers Camp)			9	9
Nawton (Station Road)			13	13
Wombleton (East Terrace)			8	8
" " " (Aerodrome)			25	25
Gillamoor			3	3
Spaunton	2			2
Appleton-Je-Moors.		2		2
			Total	<u>104</u>

Of these 34 are temporary dwellings.

During the same period 10 houses were completed and occupied under private enterprise.

The Council was receiving rent from 102 dwellings at the end of 1952.

Repairs to these dwellings are carried out as necessary by local tradesmen, due to the Council not employing a tradesman to carry out this work of maintenance. During 1952 a total of £381 - 1 - 10<sup>d</sup> was spent on housing repairs and renovations.

As the Council fully realise there is an urgent need for the re-housing of the tenants of the temporary dwellings at Wombleton Aerodrome and Vivers Camp, Kirbymoorside.

The Rural Housing Survey is not yet completed and it is considered that a complete restart be made of the Survey in 1953. It is pointed out however that the advantages of a completed Survey are few, due principally to the lack of workable legislation. The information obtained from a complete survey will be of great value when new housing law is brought into being.

#### PUBLIC CLEANSING.

At the end of 1952 three men were employed by this Council to carry out all manual work appertaining to this department. This work includes refuse collection, maintenance of water supplies, and sewage disposal works, cleansing of certain gutters, and numerous other minor jobs.

Weekly collection of refuse is carried out in Kirbymoorside and the larger villages, and a monthly service is given elsewhere unless extenuating circumstances prevent this.

Two tips were in use at the end of 1952. One at Gillamoor Road, Kirbymoorside, and one at Nawton. The tip at Kirbymoorside is rapidly becoming filled and steps will have to be taken to procure a new site for tipping.

There is also a definite need for the provision of a service for the emptying of septic tanks, ashpits etc. The requests for the emptying of these forms of sanitation are increasing, and at the present time there is no satisfactory method of emptying when the need arises. Probably the amalgamation with neighbouring Authorities might be considered on this matter.

#### WATER SUPPLY.

The larger populated portions of the district have very satisfactory supplies of water, and on the completion of the water scheme in 1953 practically all parishes will have a mains supply.

All supplies are sampled for bacteriological analysis regularly and the samples for the year indicate that the supplies from the moorland springs are quite satisfactory, though liable to sudden contamination. This contamination is thought to be due to surface water washing into the collecting chambers at times of heavy rain, and it is considered that the need for improvements to the springs be considered.

It becomes increasingly difficult with the present staff to carry out the constant maintenance required on the water schemes. With the completion of the Re-distribution Scheme consisting of some 14,638 yards of pipe, and the completion of the Farndale East Scheme this present need for staff will become more acute.

The following Table sets out the particulars of water supplies in the Kirbymoorside Rural District :-

#### Existing :-

<u>Parish Supplied</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Nature of Supply.</u>
Kirbymoorside	K.R.D.C.	Moorland springs.



<u>Parish Supplied.</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Nature of Supply.</u>
Gillamoor	K.R.D.C.	Moorland Springs.
Fadmoor	"	" "
Gt.Edstone	"	" "
Welburn (part)	Private.	Land springs.
Appleton-le-Moors.	K.R.D.C.	Moorland Springs.
Lastingham	"	" "
Spaunton	"	" "
Nawton	) K.R.D.C.and Helmsley R.D.C.	Springs.
Skiplam		
Wombledon		
Hutton-le-Hole	) Joint.	Moorland Springs.
Ness	) K.R.D.C.	
Salton	)- Supplied from	Springs.
Nunnington		
	Ryedale J.W.B.	
	K.R.D.C.and Helmsley R.D.C.	Springs.
	Joint.	
Farndale - East	)- Private individual supplies.	
Bransdale		
Farndale -West - Low Mill	K.R.D.C.	Moorland Springs.

#### PROPOSED FOR 1953.

Replacement of existing 4" main with 6" main on Daleside Road.  
 Extension of 6" main at bottom of Piercy End, Kirbymoorside over over railway to a point opposite Gawtersike Lane.  
 Hutton-le-Hole - new supply to be taken from Lowna corner across to Hutton-le-Hole, including the construction of a 20,000 gallon reservoir and a chlorinator house.  
 Supply off the Hutton-le-Hole main to feed Grouse Hall and Douthwaite Hall.  
 Muscoates - supply main to be taken off existing Ryedale J.W.B.main.  
 Ness - supply main to be taken off existing Ryedale J.W.B.main.  
 Extension of main beyond 'Brecklands', Gt.Edstone to supply Sparrow Hall, Salton Lodge, and North Holme House. Supply to be taken from Gt.Edstone.  
 New main along Moor Lane, Welburn off an existing Ryedale J.W.B. main to supply 'Southfield' and 'Low North Holme'.  
 New 3" main from Malton-Pickering road corner to Catter Beck and on to Appleton Common.  
 1 1/4" supply to 'High Waterholmes' and 'Low Waterholmes'.  
 New 3" main in Salton village. Supply from Ryedale J.W.B.  
 3" main off existing Ryedale J.W.B.main in West Ness village to feed towards Nunnington.  
 Farndale - East (Church Houses) - Scheme in progress at the end of 1952 to supply a large portion of Farndale East.

The emergency supply to Kirbymoorside, that can be taken from the Ryedale Joint Water Board will prove a great advantage in the future. It will augment the supply from the moorland springs in time of drought, and will be an especial advantage at the latter part of the summer in August/September.

#### DRAINAGE, SEWERAGE, SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

The sewage treatment works at Kirby Mills is greatly overburdened and urgent consideration should be given to proposals for improvements. The final effluent is constantly 'bad' and cannot be otherwise with the works in their present condition.

There is also a growing need for the construction of sewage treatment works in the larger villages.

During the year the 6" sewer in Swinherd Lane was extended 120 yds to facilitate the drainage of two cottages erected for Lt.Col.Holt.

The joint scheme for the sewerage of Nawton in the Kirkbymoorside R.D. and Harome and Beadlam in the Helmsley R.D. has proceeded steadily throughout 1952, and should be completed in the coming year.

All new drainage work is inspected and tested with the water test, and advice is given on drainage lay-outs. Maintenance work is carried out constantly to Council owned septic tanks and to open sewage ditches. In addition, clearing of choked drains and sewers is carried out when necessary.

There is an ever increasing number of septic tanks being constructed throughout the district, together with W.C.s, baths and wash-basins.

#### FOOD ADMINISTRATION.

Routine checks were made on all premises dealing in food, and a satisfactory standard of cleanliness is observed.

The principle retailer of milk in the district is Ryedale Dairies, Wombledon from which milk is delivered to nearly all parishes. Samples are taken regularly for analysis both by this department and the North Riding Health Officers. Samples maintain a satisfactory standard.

Ice cream sold in the district is mostly of the pre-packed type delivered to the shops by manufacturers from outside the Kirkbymoorside district. All ice cream is sampled at the source and also by this department, and a consistently good standard is maintained. All shops selling ice cream are registered by this Authority.

There is one ice cream manufacturer in Kirkbymoorside district - Coverdale, Vivers Place, Kirbymoorside. The premises are inspected and a high standard of cleanliness is observed. Samples taken are good, and every effort is made to produce good quality ice cream.

#### RODENT CONTROL.

The system whereby the Rodent Operative appointed by the Council in conjunction with the Helmsley R.D.C. to carry out their obligations under the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949, has worked satisfactorily during 1952.

Regular treatments were carried out on the Council owned refuse tip, sewers, and sewage treatment works. In May 1952 the use of 'Warfarin' commenced and this poison has proved very successful.

#### SALVAGE.

Due to there being no sale for salvaged waste paper the sorting of this material was stopped.

#### PRIVATE RECHARGEABLE WORKS.

Rechargeable work to the value of £83 - 0 - 3<sup>d</sup> was carried out during the year.

#### PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

The public conveniences in the Market Place, Kirbymoorside have proved a great advantage to the town especially on a Market day.

### HOUSING AND BUILDING PLANS.

A considerable amount of work including visits of inspection has been carried out during the year in the administration of the building bye-laws.

During the year the following number of plans were approved for building work in this district :-

Kirbymoorside	11
Gillamoor	2
Nawton	3
Hutton-le-Hole	1
Fadmoor	1
Appleton-le-Moors	1
Farndale	1
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### CIVIL BUILDING CONTROL.

Routine work has been carried out during the year in the administration of the regulations governing the control of civil building. It is pleasing to note that controls are being greatly relaxed, and there is every indication that in the near future there will be further relaxations.

### CONCLUSION.

In conclusion Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen, I would like to record my appreciation to the Council for the courtesy and assistance extended to me during 1952, and also to tender my thanks to Mr. Sturdy, Clerk to the Council, and Dr. W. R. M. Couper, Medical Officer of Health, for their co-operation, and to my new Assistant, Mr. C. Gaden who commenced his duties on the 22nd. September 1952, and to the other members of my staff for their continued support.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

F. W. Stoney,

Senior Sanitary Inspector, Surveyor and Water Engineer.





